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## INTIMATIONS.

Aug. 12th December, 1884. L4623







**MAILS EXPECTED.**

THE ENGLISH MAIL.  
P. and O. steamer Roma, with the next  
mail, left Singapore at 5 p.m. on the  
and may be expected here on the 23rd inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.  
P. and O. steamer Corinto, with the

U. and C. steamer *Copra*, with the  
mail on the 23rd November, left  
Calcutta on the 17th, and may be expected  
the 23rd instant.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamers *Moray* and *Arratoon Apar*,  
the next Indian mail, left Calcutta on the

December, and may be expected here on  
or 2nd January.

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**POST-OFFICE NOTICES.**

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The authorised List of Mails issued

**A MAIL WILL CLOSE**  
Straits Settlements.—Per *Cheong Hee*  
to-day, the 21st instant, at 1.30 P.M.  
Amoy and Shanghai.—Per *Bellerophon*,

the 21st instact, at 3.30 p.m.  
Swatow, and Amoy.—Per *Wachang*, to-  
21st inst., at 3.30 p.m.  
Shanghai.—Per *Peking*, to-day, the 21st  
at 3.30 p.m.—  
Saigon.—Per *Glenely*, on Sunday, the  
stant, at 9.00 a.m.  
Nagasaki and Yokohama.—Per *Sumatra*,  
the 20th inst., at 11.20 p.m.

**NOTICES FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT  
MAILS.**  
THE ENGLISH MAIL.  
Following hours are observed in closing  
viz., by the British Contract Packet:—  
*Day of Departure.*  
—Money Order Office closes.

- 4.—Registry of Letters censos. Post-  
of all printed matter and patterns censos.
- 5.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.
- 6.—Letters may be posted with late fee  
10 cents until
- 7.—when the Post Office closes entirely.
- 8.—Late Letters may be posted on board  
packet with late fee of 10 cents, until  
of departure.

THE FRENCH MAIL.  
Day before *Departure*.  
Money Order Office closes. Post Office  
, except the night box, which is always  
out of office hours.

*Day of Departure.*  
Post Office opens.  
Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of  
inted matter and patterns ceases.  
Mail closes, except for Late Letters.  
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cents until  
w. when the Post Office closes entirely.  
w. Late Letters may be posted on board

Packet with Late Fee of 10 Cents until  
of departure.

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**MAILS BY THE U. S. PACKET.**  
United States Mail Packet "OCEANIC"  
despatched on **SATURDAY**, the 23rd  
with Mails for Japan, San Francisco,  
United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru,

will be closed as follows:—  
1. Register ceases,  
2. Post Office closes, but Correspondence  
may be posted on board the Packet with Late  
of 10 cents extra Postage until the time  
of departure.

French Contract Packet "AFA," will  
be opened on TUESDAY, the 2nd Jan-  
uary, with Mails to and through the United  
Kingdom and Europe via Naples, to Saigon,  
Siam, and the French Colonies, Batavia, Birmah, Ceylon,  
Straits Settlements, Pondicherry, Madras,  
Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.  
Special hours will be observed in closing

LS BY THE BRITISH PACKET  
British Contract Packet "SUTLEY"  
sailed on TUESDAY, the 26th  
with Mails to and through the United  
Kingdom and Europe via British to the Straits  
ports: Batavia, Barmah, Ceylon, India.

Vanities, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.  
This Packet carries no mails for the  
Asian Colonies.  
usual hours will be observed in closing  
is, &c.

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**MONEY LETTERS.**  
attention is called to the following

from the Hongkong Postal Guide,  
 ph 80:—  
 Post Office declines all responsibility  
 entered Letters containing Bank Notes  
 where Registration has been neglected,  
 AND NO ENQUIRIES into alleged losses  
 letters."

of letters are sometimes received at the  
fine not sealed, that is to say, the box is  
with sealing wax, but there is no im-  
of a seal.  
attention of boxholders is called to the  
of carefully sealing such boxes with  
recognisable seal, and of sending a rit-  
receipt with them. The omission of

LOCAL AND INDIAN PARCEL POST.  
Small Parcels may be sent by Post at Post

between Hongkong and some of the British  
ports in China, as well as to Japan, Formosa,  
the Straits Settlements, Ceylon and India.  
It does not exceed the following dimensions:  
length, 1 foot broad; 1 foot deep, which more-  
over is smaller than 2 in. by 9 in. In  
such parcels may be wholly closed if they  
are so encased.

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and the parcel may be opened without notice by the Postmaster General. In the Case of India a declaration of contents and required, a printed form for which is gratis. The Registration of Parcels in Ceylon is compulsory.

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### RATES OF POSTAGE.

per 1 doz.	10 Cents
do. each	5 Cents
Patterns, and Commercial	2 Cents,
per doz. or 24	9 Cents,
Patterns & Prices Current, each	2 Cents,
do. do.	10 Cents,
with return receipt	15 Cents.

sent by mail, or not near the charge.  
 nant or personal correspondence, such  
 as, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge  
 as for books, but all packets of and  
 weight are charged 5 Cents.

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FOR THE UNITED STATES BY MAILING  
 SHIP.

It is desired to forward letters to the

...by a sailing ship which is not necessary, it is only necessary, to letters in the ordinary way, marked with the name of the ship, and amount 10 cents more as usual. The Post Office then sends the date of obtaining notice of departure and despatching the correspondence. It is then that the letters be posted if possible

vide means of remitting small sums to or from this Colony and between Hongkong and the Postmasters and Agents of China, the Postmasters and Agents of Hongkong are allowed (but not required) to receive Hongkong Postage Stamps from tourists.

Stamps tendered for sale must not contain value, must be perfectly clean, in condition, and in strips of at least two, as Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by a person containing Stamps should be registered. The Stamps should be secured from the

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